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Selected Ag products Despite Joining the GCC

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Report Highlights:

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Saudi Arabia Adapts the GCC Countries Customs Union Agreement to Reflect its Agricultural Production Situation

I. Summary:

Saudi Arabia is a member of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) which consists of Kuwait, Qatar, Bahrain, the United Arab Emirates, Oman, and Saudi Arabia. Membership confers special trade and investment privileges within those countries. Manufactured food products produced in one of these countries can be exported to a GCC country duty-free. In January 2003, the GCC implemented its long awaited customs union. According to the agreement, the six member countries agreed to implement a five percent across the board duty rate on all imported foodstuffs that enter member countries from none GCC suppliers. However, every member country is allowed to put a customs tariff on selected imported items to protect local enfant industries. As such, Saudi Government has decided to maintain its long practice of levying a 12, 20, or 100 percent tariff rate on selected agricultural products while exempting staple foods from import duties. The tariff rate the Saudi Government applies reflects the level of self-sufficiency the country has achieved on a particular product. For example, import duty on broiler meat is 20 percent while 12 percent is imposed on corn flakes. The duty on imported wheat and wheat flour is 100 percent since the country has been a surplus wheat producer since the early 1980s.

This report illustrates how the Kingdom adapted the new GCC wide customs union agreement to reflect its local agricultural production.

II. A Five Percent Import Duty:

Saudi Arabia reduced its import duty on most agricultural products from 12 percent to five percent last year to enable the country to adopt to the GCC customs union's agreement.

III. Products Imported Duty Free:

Because Saudi Arabia is largely desert, crop production depends entirely on irrigation, mainly from non-renewable underground water. Recognizing the country's limited agricultural potential, the Saudi Government has exempted selected foodstuffs, feed, and livestock from import duties. Food and agricultural products imported duty free are as follows:

HS Code	<u>Category</u>
	Live Horses, asses, mutes and hinnies
	-Pure-bred breeding animals
01011010	Horses of arab breed
01011020	Other

	-Other
01019010	Horses for sport
01019020	Ponies
01019030	Asses
01019040	Mules
01019050	Hinnies
01019090	Other
	-Live bovine animals
01021000	Pure-bred breeding animals
01029000	Other
01041010	Pure-bred breeding animals
01041090	Other
01042010	Pure-bred breeding animals
01042090	Other
	Live poultry, that is to say, fowls of the species Gallus domesticus, ducks, geese, turkeys and guinea fowls
	-Weighing not more than 185g:
01051100	Fowls of the species Gallus domesticus
01051200	Turkeys
01051900	Other
	-Other
	Fowls of the species Gallus domesticus, weighing not more than 2000g:
01059210	Hens (for laying eggs)
01059220	Chickens (for meat)
01059230	Hens
01059290	Other
	Fowls of the species Gallus domesticus, weighing more than 2000g:
01059310	Hens (for laying eggs)
01059320	Chickens (for meat)

01059330	Hens
01059390	Other
	Other
01059910	Tame ducks and geese
01059920	Turkeys
01059990	Other
	Other live animals
	-Mammals
01061100	Primates
01061200	Whales, dolphins and porpoises (mammals of the order Cetacea); manatees and dugongd (mammals of the order Sirenia)
01061910	Camels
01061920	Tame and wild rabbits
01061930	Gazelles and deer
01061940	Dogs
01061950	Foxes, minks and other fur animals
01061960	Animals for zoos, scientific and research labs
01061990	Other
01062000	Reptiles (including snakes and turtles)
	-Birds
01063100	Birds of prey:
01063200	Psittaciformes (including parrots, parakeets, macaws and cockatoos)
01063910	Tame and Wild pigeons, partrdges, pheasants, quail, snipe, sand grouse, wild ducks and similar animals
01063920	Ornamental birds
01063990	Other
	Other
01069010	Bees and other insects
01069090	Other

02011000	Carcasses and half-carcasses
02012000	Other cuts with bone in
02013000	Boneless
02041000	Carcasses and half-carcasses of lamb, fresh or chilled
	Other meat of sheep, fresh or chilled
02042100	Carcasses and half-carcasses
02042200	Other cuts with bone in
02042300	Boneless
02045011	Fresh or chilled
02045021	Fresh or chilled
	Boneless:
02045031	Fresh or chilled
02068010	Sheep and goat offal, fresh
02081010	Fresh or chilled
	Live fish
03011000	Ornamental fish
	Other live fish:
	Trout (Salmo trutta, Onchorynchus mykiss, Onchorynchus clarki, Onchorynchus aguabonita, Onchorynchus gilae, Onchorynchus apache and Onchorynchus chrysogaster):
03019110	For breeding
03019190	Other
	Eels (Anguilla spp.)
03019210	For breeding
03019290	Other
	Carp:
03019310	For breeding
03019390	Other
	Other:
	For breeding Other

03019910	For breeding
03019920	Tilapia (Tilapia Nilotica), Sarotherodonspp.)
03019990	Other
	Fish, fresh or chilled, excluding fish fillets and other fish meat of heading
	Salmonidae, excluding livers and roes:
03021100	Trout (Salmo trutta Onchorynchus mykiss, Onchorynchus clarki, Onchorynchus aguabonita, Onchorynchus gilae, Onchorynchus apache and Onchorynchus chrysogaster)
03021200	Pacific Salmon (Onchorynchus nerka, Onchorynchus gorbuscha, Onchorynchus keta, Onchorynchus tshawtscha, Onchorynchus kisutch, Onchorynchus masou and Onchorynchus rhodurus). Atlantic salmon (Salmo salar) and Danube salmon(Hucho Hucho)
03021900	Other
	Flat fish (Pleuronectidae, Bothidae, Cynoglossidae, Soleidae, Scophthalmidae and Citharidae), excltidings livers and roes:
03022100	Halibut (Reinhardtius Hippoglossoides, Hippoglossus hippoglossus, hippoglossus stenolepsis)
03022200	Plaice (Pleuronectes platessa)
03022300	Sole (Solea spp.)
03022900	Other
	Tunas (of the genus Thunnus) skipjack or stripe-bellied bonito (Euthynnus (Katsuwonus) Pelamis), excluding livers and roes:
03023100	Albacore or longfinned tunas (Thunnus alalunga)
03023200	Yellowfin tunas (Thunnus albacares)
03023300	Skipjack or stripe-bellied bonito
03023400	Bigeye tunas (Thunnus obesus)
03023500	Bigeye tunas (Thunnus thynnus)
03023600	Southrn Bluefin tunas
03023900	Other
03024000	Herrings (Clupea harengus, Clupea pallasii), excluding livers and roes
03025000	Cod (Gadus morhua, Gadus ogac, Gadus macrocephalus), excluding livers and roses

	Other fish, excluding livers and roses
03026100	Sardines (Sardina pilchardus, Sardinops spp), sardinella (Sardinella spp.), bnsling or sprats (Sprattus sprattus)
03026200	Haddock (Melanogrammus aeglefinus)
03026300	Coalfish (Pollachius virens)
	Mackerel (Scomber scombrus, Scomber australasicus, Scomber japonicus)
03026410	Kingfish (Scomberomorus commerson)
03026420	Indian mackerel (Rastrelliger Kanagurta)
03026490	Other
03026500	Dogfish and other sharks
03026600	Eels (Anguilla spp.)
	Other
03026910	Groupers (All genus following the family Serranidae)
03026920	Emperors (Lethrinus spp.), (Monotaxisspp.)
03026930	Snappers/Jobfishes (All genus following the family: Lutjanidae)
03026940	Jacks, Trevallies and Scads (All genus following the family : Carangidae)
03026950	Pomfret (Pampus argenteus, parastromateus niger)
03026960	Sibalti, Shamm, Nahhash, Fresh
03026970	Nigroor fish
03026980	Striped mullet (Mugil cephalus)
	Other
03026991	Safi fish
03026999	Other
03027000	Livers and roes
	Crustaceans, whether in shell or not, live, fresh, chilled, frozen, dried, salted or in brine; crustaceans, in shell, cooked by steaming or by boiling in water, whether or not chilled, frozen, dried, salted or in brine; flour, meals and pellets of crustace
	Frozen:

03061100	Rock lobster and other sea crawfish (Palinurus spp., Panulirus spp., Jasus spp.)
03061200	Lobsters (Homarus spp.)
03061300	Shrimps and prawns
03061400	Crabs
03061900	Other, Including flours, meals and pellets or crustaceans, fit for human consumption
	Not frozen:
03062100	Rock lobster and other sea crawfish (Palinurus spp., Panulirus spp., Jasus spp.
03062200	Lobsters (Homarus spp.)
03062300	Shrimps and prawns
03062400	Crabs
03062900	Other, including flours, meals and pellets of crustaceans, fit for human consumption
04070011	For hatching
06011000	Bulbs, tubers, tuberous roots, corms, crowns and rhizomes, dormant
06012000	Bulbs, tubers, tuberous roots, corms, crowns and rhizomes, In growth or in flower; chicory plants and roots
	Unrooted cuttings and slips:
06021010	Grapevines (Grapeslips)
06021090	Other
	Trees, shrubs and bushes, grafted or not, of kinds which bear edible fruit or nuts:
06022010	Palm tree seedling
06022090	Other
07011000	Seed
07019000	Other
07020000	Tomatoes, fresh or chilled.
	Onions, shallots, garlic, leeks and other alliaceous vegetables, fresh or chilled.
	Onions and shallots:
	Onions:

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07031011	Onions for food(green or dry rind)
07031012	Onions (for sowing)
07031020	Shallots
07032000	Garlic
07039000	Leeks and other alliaceous vegetables
07041000	Cauliflowers and headed broccoli
07042000	Brussels sprouts
07049000	Other
	Lettuce (Lactuca sativa) and chicory (Cichorium spp.), fresh or chilled
	Lettuce:
07051100	Cabbage lettuce (head lettuce)
07051900	Other
	Chicory:
07052100	Witloof chicory (Cichorium intybus var. foliosum)
07052900	Other
	Carrots, turnips, salad beetroot, salsify, celeriac, radishes and similar edible toots, fresh or chilled.
07061000	Carrots and turnips
07069000	Other
07070000	Cucumbers and gherkins, fresh or chilled
	Leguminous vegetables, shelled or unshelled, fresh or chilled.
07081000	Peas (Pisum sativum)
07082000	Beans (Vigna spp., Phaseolus spp.)
	Other leguminous vegetables:
07089010	Beans
07089090	Other
	Other vegetables,. Fresh and chilled
07091000	Globe artichokes
07092000	Asparagus

07093000	Aubergines (egg-plants)
07094000	Celery other than celeriac
	Mushrooms and truffles:
07095100	Mushrooms
07095200	Truffles
07095900	Other
07096000	Fruits of the genus Capsicum or of the genus Pimenta
07097000	Spinach, New Zealand spinach and orache spinach (garden spinach)
	Other:
07099010	Pumpkins
07099020	Marrow
07099030	Olives
07099040	Okra
07099050	Parsley
07099060	Coriander
07099090	Other
	Beans of the species Vigna Mungo (L) Hepper or Vigna radiata (L)Wilczek:
07133110	For sowing
	Small red (Adzuki) beans (Phaseolus or Vigna angularis):
07133210	For sowing
	Kidney beans, including white pea beans (Phaseolus vulgaris):
07133310	For sowing
08030000	Bananas, including plantains, fresh or dried
	Figs:
08042010	Fresh
08042020	Dried
08043000	Pineapples
08044000	Avocados

	Guavas, mangoes and mangosteens:
08045010	Guavas
08045020	Mangoes
08045030	Mangosteens
	Citrus fruit, fresh or dried
08051000	Oranges
08052000	Mandarins (including tangerines and satsumas); clementines, wilkings and similar citrus hybrids
08054000	Grape fruit
	Lemons (citrus limon, Citrus limonum and limes (Citrus aurantifolia):
08055010	Fresh
08055020	Dried
08059000	Other
	Grapes, fresh or dried
08061000	Fresh
08062000	Dried
	Melons (including watermelons) and papaws (Papayas), fresh
	Melons (Including watermelons);
08071100	Watermelons
	Other:
08071910	Melon (muskmelon)
08071990	Other
08072000	Papaws (Papayas)
	Apples, pears and quinces, fresh
08081000	Apples
	Pears and quinces:
08082010	Pears
08082020	Quinces
	Apricots, cherries. Peaches (including nectarines), plums and sloes, fresh

08091000	Apricots
08092000	Cherries
08093000	Peaches, including nectarines
08094000	Plums and sloes
	Other fruit, fresh
08101000	Strawberries
08102000	Raspberries, blackberries, mulberries and loganberries
08103000	Black, white or red currants and gooseberries
08104000	Cranberries, bilberries and other fruits of the genus Vaccinium
08105000	Kiwi fruit
08106000	Durians
	Other:
08109010	Pomegranates
08109020	Medlar
08109030	Prickly pears
08109090	Other
	Coffee, not roasted:
09011100	Not decaffeinated
09011200	Decaffeinated
	Coffee roasted:
09012100	Not decaffeinated
09012200	Decaffeinated
09019000	Other
	Tea, whether or not flavored.
09021000	Green tea (not fermented) in immediate packing of a content not exceeding 3 kg
09022000	Other green tea (not fermented)
	Black tea (fermented) and partly fermented tea, in immediate packing of a content not exceeding 3 kg.

09023010	Tea bag not exceeding 3 kg
09023090	Other
09024000	Other black tea (fermented) and other partly fermented tea
09083000	Cardamoms
	Other
10011000	Durum wheat
10019010	Normal wheat
10019020	Thin wheat
10019030	Mixed wheat and rye
10030000	Barley
	Oats
10040010	Grey oats (or black)
10040020	White oats (or yellow)
	Maize (corn)
10051000	Seed
	Other
10059010	Golden corn
10059020	White corn
10059030	Brown corn
10059090	Other
	Rice
10061000	Rice in the husk (paddy or rough)
10062000	Husked (brown) rice
10063000	Semi-milled or wholly milled rice, whether or not polished or glazed:
10064000	Broken rice
	Buckwheat, millet and canary seed; other cereals.
10081000	Buckwheat
10082000	Millet

10083000	Canary seed	
10089000	Other cereals	
11010020	Flour of mixed wheat and rye	
	Cereal flours other than of wheat or meslin	
11021000	Rye flour	
11022000	Maize (corn) flour	
11023000	Rice flour	
	Other:	
11029010	Barley flour	
11029020	Oats flour	
11029030	Grain sorghum flour	
11029040	Buckwheat flour	
11029050	Millet flour	
11029090	Other	
	Cereal groats, meal and pellets	
	Groats and meal:	
	Of wheat:	
11031110	Of wheat: Groats	
11031110 11031120		
	Groats	
	Groats Meal	
11031120	Groats Meal Of Maize (Corn):	
11031120	Groats Meal Of Maize (Corn): Groats	
11031120	Groats Meal Of Maize (Corn): Groats Meal	
11031120 11031310 11031320	Groats Meal Of Maize (Corn): Groats Meal Of other cereals:	
11031120 11031310 11031320 11031910	Groats Meal Of Maize (Corn): Groats Meal Of other cereals: Of barley:	
11031120 11031310 11031320 11031910 11031920	Groats Meal Of Maize (Corn): Groats Meal Of other cereals: Of barley: Of sorghum cereals:	

11031990	Of other cereals:
11032000	Pellets:
12091000	Sugar beet seed
	Seed of forage plants
12092100	Lucerne (alfalfa) seed
12092200	Clover (Trifolium spp.) seed
12092300	Fescue seed
12092400	Kentucky blue grass (Poa pratensis L.) seed
12092500	Rye grass (Lolium multiflorum Lam., Lolium perenne L.) Seed
12092600	Timothy grass seed
	Other:
12092910	Lupines
12092990	Other
12093000	Seeds of herbaceous plants cultivated principally for their flowers
	Other
	Vegetable seeds:
12099110	
12099110 12099120	Vegetable seeds:
	Vegetable seeds: Tomato seeds
12099120	Vegetable seeds: Tomato seeds Leek seeds
12099120 12099130	Vegetable seeds: Tomato seeds Leek seeds Radish seeds
12099120 12099130 12099140	Vegetable seeds: Tomato seeds Leek seeds Radish seeds Carrot seeds
12099120 12099130 12099140 12099150	Vegetable seeds: Tomato seeds Leek seeds Radish seeds Carrot seeds Cucumber seeds
12099120 12099130 12099140 12099150 12099160	Vegetable seeds: Tomato seeds Leek seeds Radish seeds Carrot seeds Cucumber seeds Marrow seeds
12099120 12099130 12099140 12099150 12099160 12099170	Vegetable seeds: Tomato seeds Leek seeds Radish seeds Carrot seeds Cucumber seeds Marrow seeds Pumpkin seeds
12099120 12099130 12099140 12099150 12099160 12099170	Vegetable seeds: Tomato seeds Leek seeds Radish seeds Carrot seeds Cucumber seeds Marrow seeds Pumpkin seeds Eggplant seeds
12099120 12099130 12099140 12099150 12099160 12099170 12099180	Vegetable seeds: Tomato seeds Leek seeds Radish seeds Carrot seeds Cucumber seeds Marrow seeds Pumpkin seeds Eggplant seeds Other

12099199	Other
12099900	Other
	Cane or beet sugar and chemically pure sucrose, in solid form.
	Raw sugar not containing added flavoring or coloring matter:
	Cane sugar:
17011110	For industrial refining and filting
17011190	Other
	Beet sugar:
17011210	For industrial refining and filting
17011290	Other
	Other
17019100	Containing added flavoring or coloring matter
	Other:
	Filt (refing):
17019911	Crystals
17019912	Moulds
17019913	Castor
17019920	Sugar candy, neither flavored or colored
17019930	Chemically pure sucrose
17019990	Other
19011010	Infant food with milk base, no cocoa
19011020	Infant food with milk base, by weight under 5% cocoa
19011090	Other
21069070	Sweets, gum and the like (for diabetics, in particular) Containing synthetic sweetening agents (e.g. sorbitol) instead of sugar
23040000	Oil-cake and other solid residues, whether or not ground or in the form of pellets, resulting from the extraction of soyabean oil.

Products Import on a 12 or 20 percent Customs Tariff: In order to protect local food processing and production from competitively priced foodstuff imports, the Kingdom levies a 12 or 20 percent import duty depending on the self-sufficiency level of the local industry. As a general rule, the maximum import tariff rate of 20 percent is applied when local production of a food or agricultural

product meets or exceeds 40 percent of total consumption. The tables below provide lists of products subject to a 12 and 20 percent import duties.

IV. Products Subject to a 12 percent Customs Duty:

HS Code	Description
0406300000	Cheese, processed, not grated or powdered
0406400000	Cheese, blue-veined, Nesoi
0406901000	Cheese, cheddar, Nesoi
0710100000	Potatoes, uncooked or cooked by steaming or boiling in water, frozen
0902300000	Black Tea (Fermented) and partly fermented Tea, in immediate packing of a content not exceeding 3kg
1507904020	Soybean oil and its fractions, once-refined (Subject to alkalai or caustic wash but not bleached or deodorized), not chemically modified
1511900000	Palm oil and its Fractions, refined but not chemically modified
1512190020	Sunflower - seed oil and fractions thereof, refined, but not chemically modified
1513290000	Palm kernel or babassu oil and fractions thereof, refined but not chemically modified
1514900000	Rapeseed, Colza or Mustard oil and Fractions thereof, refined, but not chemically modified
1515290020	Corn (Maize) oil and its Fractions, once-refined (subject to Alkalai or caustic Wash but not bleached or deodorized) not chemically modified
1601000010	Sausages and similar products, of poultry, of chicken
1601000020	Sausages and similar products, of other poultry
1602509020	Prepared meals of the meat of bovine animals, containing cereals or vegetables
1901200005	Mixes and dough for the prep of cookies (sweet biscuits), waffles and wafers, containing cocoa powder in a proportion by weight of less than 40%
1901200015	Mixes and dough for the preparation of pastries, cakes and similar sweet baked products, including gingerbread; pudding, contain <40% cocoa powder
190220020	Pasta, stuffed, canned
1904100080	Prepared foods obtained by the swelling or roasting or cereals or cereal products, not containing cane and or beet sugar

1905400000	Rusks, toasted bread and similar toasted products
1905901041	Pastries, cakes, similar baked products and puddings, whether or not containing chocolate, fruit, nuts or confectionery, frozen
1905901049	Bread, biscuits and similar baked products, whether or not containing chocolate, fruit, nuts or confectionery, frozen
1905901080	Bread, biscuits and similar baked products, whether or not containing chocolate, fruit, nuts or confectionery, Nesoi
1905901050	Pastry, cakes, and similar sweet baked products, and puddings whether or not containing chocolate, fruit, nuts or confectionary, Nesoi
1905909030	Corn chips and similar crisp savory snack foods
2005200020	Potato chips, prepared or preserved otherwise than by vinegar or acetic acid, not frozen, other than products of heading 2006
2005400000	Peas (Pisum sativum), prepared or preserved otherwise than by vinegar or acetic acid, not frozen
2005512020	Cowpeas, black-eye, shelled, dried canned
2005514040	Beans (Vigna spp., Phaseolus spp.) except black-eye cowpeas, shelled, prepared or preserved otherwise than by vinegar or acetic acid, Nesoi not frozen
2008111000	Peanut butter
2009110020	Orange juice, unfermented, frozen in containers each holding less than 0.946 liter
2009204020	Grapefruit juice, unfermented, Nesoi, frozen
2009303000	Citrus, juice of single fruit, unfermented, not containing spirit, whether or not sweetened Nesoi, not concentrated
2009402000	Pineapple, juice, unfermented, not concentrated or having a degree of concentration not more than 3.5 degrees
2009500000	Tomato juice (dry wight content less than 7%)
2009600060	Grape juice including grape must, unfermented, concentrated, not frozen
2009700010	Apple juice, unfermented, concentrated, frozen
2009800000	Juice of any other single fruit or vegetable, unfermented not containing added spirit, whether or not sweetened, Nesoi
2009902000	Mixtures of vegetable juices, unfermented
2009904000	Mixtures of fruit juices, unfermented

2102100000	Yeasts, active
2102-	Yeasts; dead sing-cell micro-org Nesoi; bak powder
2102300000	Baking powders, prepared
2103202000	Tomato Ketchup
2103909020	Mayonnaise
2202903400	Orange juice fortified with vitamins or minerals, in non-concentrated form
2202909090	Nonalcoholic beverages, Nesoi, excluding fruit or vegetable juices of heading 2009

V. Products Subject to a 20 percent Customs Duty:

H.S. CODE	CATEGORY	Ad Valorem Duty Rate
0207.10.00-0207.50.00	Meat and Offal of Poultry	20% (with minimum duty of US\$0.27 per Kg)
0208.10.10 & 0208.20.20	Meat of Rabbits or Hares, fresh, chilled or frozen	20% (with minimum duty of US\$0.27 per Kg)
0208.90.21 & 0208.90.22	Deer, and Gazelle	20% (with minimum duty of US\$0.27 per Kg)
0407.00.19 0408.11.00-0408.99.00	Table eggs Birds' eggs, not in shells, fresh, cooked or dried	20% (with minimum duty of US\$0.16 per egg)
1302.19.30	Tahina (sesame concentrate)	
1701.99.11-1701.99.31	Sugar (crystal, or varying refinement, cubes powdered)	or blocks and
1704.10.00	Chewing Gum	
1704.90.10-1704.90.40 1704.90.60-1704.90.90	Sugar Confectionery, Toffee and other	
1806.20.20-1806.90.90	Sugar Confectionery Containing Cocoa (inc Cream powder)	cluding Ice-Cream & Ice-
1901.10.20	Infant Foods based on milk or milk prepare mother's milk, containing less than 10%, by	
1902.11.10	Macaroni and similar products such as spag	hetti and pasta
1904.10.10 1904.90.10	Prepared foods obtained by the swelling or cereal products containing cocoa	roasting of cereals of
1905.30.10 & 1905.90.93	Sweet Biscuits and other Biscuits, whether	or not salted
2105.00.00	Ice Cream and other edible ice, whether or i	not containing cocoa
2201.10.10 & 2201.90.10	Natural Mineral Waters & Ordinary Natura	l Waters

2501.00.10	Common Salt
4409.10.00-4414.00.00	Molded Wood and Wooden Frames

VI. Products Subject to a 100 percent Customs Duty:

Saudi Arabia imposes a 100 percent customs duty on tobacco and tobacco products and on those products for which the country has achieved 100 percent self sufficiency. The 100 percent tariff rate on tobacco and tobacco products is aimed at increasing government revenue and discouraging smoking.

H.S. CODE	CATEGORY
2401.10.10-2403.99.99	Tobacco and Tobacco Products (import duty is over 100%)
1001.10.00-1001.90.20	Wheat
1101.00.10	Wheat Flour
0804.10.10-0804.10.90	Dates, fresh or dried

VII. Products Banned from Importation:

For religious reasons, Saudi Arabia bans imports of alcoholic beverages, live swine, pork and foodstuff ingredients or additives which contain pork products including pork fat, and gelatin. Meat and poultry shipments must be accompanied by a "Halal" slaughter certificate issued by an Islamic center in the country of origin.

Provided below are banned products:

H.S. CODE	CATEGORY
0103.10.00-0103.92.00	Live Swine
0203.11.00-0203.29.00 0206.30.00-0206.49.00 0210.11.00-0210.19.00	Meat & Offal of Swine, fresh, chilled or frozen
0205.00.90	Meat of Asses, Mules, or Hinnies, fresh, chilled or frozen
0208.20.00	Frog's legs
0908.20.00	Mace
1207.91.00-1302.19.10	Poppy Seeds, Hemp Seeds, Opium and Hops

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2203.00.10-2206.00.00 2208.10.10-2208.50.00 2208.90.90, 2307.00.10	Alcoholic Beverages
4107.10.00	Leather of Swine

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